This is a notice for the second meeting of the Water Quality Monitoring & Research Workgroup, which is tasked with developing recommendations related to a monitoring and research program aimed at better understanding water quality patterns and impacts related to salt application in Northern Virginia as part of the development of the Salt Management Strategy (SaMS). A chloride TMDL has been developed for the Accotink Creek watershed located in Fairfax County. Additionally, water quality patterns throughout the Northern Virginia region show that the chloride pollution issues observed in the Accotink Creek watershed are not isolated to that watershed, but instead widespread throughout the region. Therefore, the Virginia Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ) in partnership with a broad coalition of stakeholders that make up the SaMS Stakeholder Advisory Committee (SAC) have begun the development of a comprehensive strategy that aims to provide recommendations for more efficient and effective use of salts during winter weather management.

The purpose of this meeting is to report on follow-up items from the last meeting, begin to finalize workgroup recommendations, and prepare for the workgroup update at the 3rd SAC meeting.

If you have any questions regarding the Water Quality Monitoring & Research Workgroup, this meeting, or the SaMS, please contact Will Isenberg via phone, email, or conventional mail using the information listed at the bottom of this notice. All materials related to this project will be posted on the DEQ website at: https://www.deq.virginia.gov/SaMS/MeetingMaterials.aspx

While all meetings are open to the public, because of security concerns, please contact Will Isenberg to notify him of your intent to attend so that you can be added to the attendance list.

The second Water Quality Monitoring & Research Workgroup meeting will be held:

Thursday February 14, 2019 from 9:30 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. AlexRenew 1800 Limerick St Alexandria, VA 22314

In case of inclement weather, the meeting will be rescheduled for Tuesday February 19, 2019 from 9:30 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. at a different location:

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